

THE DARK HOUR.

A STORY OF CHRISTMAS EVE.

"I can't stand it any longer, Jane. I'll go and perhaps something will turn up for us."

"It's a cold night, Robert." "Cold, yes! But it's not much colder outside than it is in. I never thought to see such days. It would have been better for you, if you had married John Tremaine," he said bitterly.

"Don't say that, Robert. I've never regretted my choice."

"Not even now, when there is not a loaf of bread in the house for you and the children?"

"Not even now, Robert. Don't be discouraged. God has not forgotten us. Perhaps this Christmas eve the tide will turn, and better days may dawn upon us to-morrow."

Robert Mason shook his head despondently.

"You are more hopeful than I, Jane. Day after day I have been in search of employment, I have called at fifty places, only to receive the same answer everywhere."

Just then little Jimmy, who had been asleep, woke up.

"Mother," he pleaded, "won't you give me a piece of bread? I'm so hungry."

"There is no bread, Jimmy darling, said the mother with an aching heart."

"When will there be some?" asked the child piteously.

Tears came to the mother's eyes. She knew not what to say.

"Jimmy I'll bring you some bread," said the father hoarsely, and he seized his hat and went to the door.

His wife, alarmed, laid her hand upon his sleeve. She saw the look in his eyes, and she feared to what desperation it might lead him.

"Remember Robert," she said solemnly, "it is hard to starve, but there are things that are worse."

He shook off her hand, but not roughly, and without a word passed out.

Out into the cold streets! They would be his only home next, he thought. For a brief time longer he had the shelter of a cheerless room in a cold tenement house, but the rent would become due at the end of the month, and he had nothing to meet it.

Robert Brice was a mechanic competent and skillful. Three years since he lived in a country village where his expenses were moderate, and he found no difficulty in meeting them. But in an evil hour he grew tired of his village home, and removed to the city. Here he vainly hoped to do better. For awhile he met with very good success, but he found his tenement house, in which he was obliged to live, poor substitute for the neat little cottage which he had occupied in the country. He saw his mistake, but was too proud to go back.

"Of course we can't have quite as good accommodations here as in the country," he said, "but it's something to live in the city, and to be in the midst of things."

"I'd rather be back again," said his wife. "Somehow the city doesn't seem like home. There I used to run and take tea with a neighbor, and have a pleasant social time. Here, I know scarcely anybody."

"You'll get used to it after awhile," said her husband.

She did not think so, but did not like to complain.

But a time of great depression came, and with it a suspension of business enterprises. Work ceased for Robert Brice, and many others. If he had been in his old home, he could

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have turned his hands to something else, and at the worst he could have borrowed of his neighbors till better times.

But the friendly relations arising from neighborhoods do not exist in the city to the same extent as in the country. So day after day he saw his scanty fund of money waste away and no one extended a helping hand.

Day by day he went out to seek work, only to find himself one of the large number, all of whom were doomed to disappointment. If he had been alone, he could have got alone somehow, but it was a sore trial to come home to a cheerless room and a pale wife and hungry children, with no relief to offer them.

When on that Christmas eve, Robert Brice went out into the streets; he hardly knew how he was going to redeem the promise he had made to little Jimmy. He was absolutely penniless, and had been so for three days. There was nothing that he was likely to find to do that night.

"I will pawn my coat," he said, desparately. "I cannot see my wife and children starve."

It was a well-worn undercoat, and that cold, winter night he needed something more to keep him warm. Weakened by enforced fasting, he was more sensitive to the cold, and shivered as he walked along the pavement.

"Yes," he said, "my coat must go. I know not how I shall get along without it, but I can't see the children starve before my eyes."

He was not in general and envious man, but when he saw sleek, well-fed citizens, but-toned up to the throat in warm overcoats come out of the brilliantly lighted shops, provided with presents for happy children at home, while his were starving, he suffered some bitter thoughts upon the inequality of Fortune's gifts to come into his mind.

Why should they be so happy and he so miserable?

There was a time, he remembered it well when he, too, suffered not the Christmas eve to pass without buying some little gifts for Jimmy and Agnes. How little he dreamed then that they would ever want bread!

There was one man shorter than himself warmly clad, who passed him with his hands thrust deep into the pockets of his overcoat. There was a pleasant smile upon his face. He was doubtless thinking of a happy circle at home.

Robert knew him to be a rich merchant whose ample warehouse he often passed. He had applied to this man only a few days before for employment, and had been refused. It was, perhaps, the thought of the wide difference between them, so far as outward circumstances went, that led Robert Brice to follow him.

After awhile, the merchant—Mr. Gaines—drew his handkerchief hastily from his pocket. As he did so, he did not perceive

that his pocket book came with it and fell to the sidewalk.

He did not perceive it but Robert did. His heart leaped into his mouth, and a sudden thought entered his mind. He bent quickly down and picked up the pocket book. He raised his eyes hastily, to see if the movement was noticed. It was not.

The merchant went on unheeding his loss.

"This will buy bread for my wife and children," thought Robert instantly. A vision of the comfort which this money would bring to that room lighted up his heart for an instant, for he was not dishonest, there came another thought. The money was not his, much as he wanted it.

"But I cannot see my wife and children starve," he thought again. "If it is wrong to keep this money, God will pardon the offence. He will understand my motive."

All this was sophistry, he knew it. In a moment he felt it to be so. There were some things worse than starvation. It was his wife that said that just before he came out. Could he meet her gaze when he returned with food so obtained?

"I've lived honest so far," he thought. "I won't turn a thief now."

He came to this decision, for all the while before his eyes there was that vision of a cheerless home and he could hear Jimmy vainly asking for food. It was with an effort then, that he stepped forward and placed his hand on the merchant's shoulder, and extended the hand that the pocket book.

"Sir," he said hoarsely, "you have dropped your pocket-book."

"Thank you," said the merchant turning round; "I hadn't perceived my loss."

"You dropped it when you took out your handkerchief?"

"And you saw it and picked it up. I am very much obliged to you."

"You have reason to be," said Robert in a low voice. "That would have been dishonest."

Mr. Gaines, his tone altering slightly.

"Yes it would, but it's hard for a man to be honest when he is penniless, and his wife and children are without a crust."

"Surely you and your family are not in that condition," said the merchant earnestly.

"Yes," said Robert, "it is only too true."

"And you are out of work?"

"For two months I have vainly sought for work. I applied to you two days since."

"I remember you now. I thought I had seen your face before. You still want work?"

"I should feel grateful for it."

"A porter left me yesterday. Will you take his place at twelve dollars a week?"

"Thankfully sir, I would work for half that."

"Then come to-morrow morning, or rather, as to-morrow will be a holiday, the day succeeding. Meanwhile take this for your present necessities."

He drew from the pocket-book a bank note and put it in Robert's hand.

"It's fifty dollars said Robert amazed."

"I know it. The pocket book contains a thousand dollars. But for you, I should have lost the whole. I wish you a merry Christmas."

"It will, indeed, be a merry Christmas," said Robert, with emotion. "God bless you sir, good night!"

Jane waited for her husband, in the cold and cheerless room, which for a few days longer she might call home.

"Do you think father will bring me some bread?" asked little Jimmy, as he nestled in her lap.

"I hope so, darling," she said but her heart misgave her. She feared it was a delusive hope.

An hour passed. There was a step on the stair—her husband's. It could not be—for this was a cheerful, elastic step, coming up two steps at a time. She looked eagerly to the door.

"Yes, it was him. The door opened, and Robert, radiant with joy, entered with a basket full of substantial provisions."

"Have you got some bread, father?" asked Jimmy hopefully.

"Yes, Jimmy, some bread and meat from a restaurant, and here's a little tea and sugar. There's a little wood left Jane."

Robert, bright and comfortable, for, please God, this shall be a merry Christmas eve."

"How did it happen? Tell me Robert."

So Robert told his wife, and soon a bright fire lighted up the before cheerless room, and there were four happy hearts that waited in joyful hope for the dawn of a 'Merry Christmas Day.'

The next week they moved to a better home. They have never since known what it is to want, Robert found a firm friend in the merchant, and has an account in the savings bank, and has reason to remember with grateful heart God's goodness on that Christmas Eve.—*Gleason's Literary Companion.*

Elopement of a Clergyman—Who the Parties Are.

The telegram has announced that a prominent clergyman of New York, the Rev. Mr. Cook, had eloped with one of his flock leaving behind a wife and two children. The New York Commercial gives the following particulars:

The church at the altar of which the reverend gentleman ministered is a Methodist Episcopal one, and is situated in West Seventh street. The congregation is a very fashionable one, composed of some of our wealthiest citizens. The society is one of the most prosperous in the city, and its offerings for charitable and other purposes have always been very large.

The pastor mixed up in the affair is named Cook. He has been but a short time connected with the church, having been stationed there last spring by the annual conference. He is a man of pleasing address, good looking, and not more than thirty years of age. He is also a fine speaker, and has a good pulpit presence. He was

a general favorite with his flock very few of whom, even under the circumstances, credit his alleged elopement. The young lady who, as alleged, has gone off with the Rev. Mr. Cook, is young and unmarried. She belongs to one of the first families up town, though her name for the present is not made public. She is very pretty in face and figure. She had been a Sunday school teacher for a short time, and was always a devoted attendant upon the church, being punctual not only at the Sunday services, but also at the class and prayer meetings.

The intimacy between the clergyman and the fair lamb of his flock had been noticed by many, and some of the allusions thereto were not very flattering. The comments reached the ears of the lady herself, but she treated them with the utmost disdain, pronouncing them groundless slanders. Even her mother remonstrated with her at her carelessness in affording opportunity for the circulation of such reports.

Things continued in this way for some weeks, until the rumors became common talk. This appears to have brought matters to a crisis. Thursday evening the clergyman complained of being unwell, and informed the family that he would repair to his study and there seek repose. He also had a sermon to prepare for Sunday, and he desired to be uninterrupted. It is supposed that during this time he was engaged in packing his trunk, which has mysteriously disappeared along with the owner. This trunk was called for and quietly taken away without exciting any remarks. He was with his family all day on Friday. Early in the evening he put on his hat and overcoat, and telling his wife that he would soon return, took his departure, as she believed to pay a visit to one of his congregations. The hours passed wearily by and he came not. Fearing some accident had befallen him, the wife became almost distracted, and sent messengers in every direction, but could discover no traces of his whereabouts. Nothing has since been seen or heard of him.

While the above events were transpiring a lady, closely veiled, was seen to enter a carriage on Seventh street. The vehicle drove a block or so, when a gentleman entered, and the driver whipped up his horses and the carriage with its occupants was soon out of sight. By Sunday morning the fact of the elopement became known to the members of the church. When the hour for divine service arrived the pastor was non est. An excuse was made for his absence and a stranger took his place.

The family of the erring man are, as well may be imagined, in great distress. He leaves a wife and two beautiful children. His domestic relations had been always of the happiest nature. It is believed the parties have gone to Europe, having taken passage in Saturday's steamer. This is a mere matter of conjecture, however, and nothing

definite is known on this point. The lady has some acquaintances in the West, but it is not likely she has gone there.

Wants.

Many people are in perpetual fear they will "come to want," but when is there a time in any one's life that he don't want something? Some want one thing and some another. The baby wants to stick his thumb in his eye, kick over the teapot, and wants his three meals a day. The little boy wants a top, a rocking horse, a licking at regular intervals. The little girl wants a doll and wants to play out doors with the boys.

A little older, the girl wants a beau and the boy wants a bow and-a-arrer. The young lady wants a piano and a Grecian bend, invitations to the opera and exclusive use of the front parlor, Sunday nights. The young man wants a fast horse, a diamond pin, credit at the tailor's, a gin cock tail, a mustache and no words from the "old man." Mature matron wants a select circle of society, carriage with a liveried driver, the best pew in church, presidency of some fashionable benevolent society, wealthy matches for her daughters, and no foolishness. Masculine maturity, wants safe investments credit at the bank, few friends, plain clothes, daily dinner, eleven "tod," a prompt dinner, slippers and "night cap." Old age wants to get up a pretence of being young sometimes, but only wants a quiet place to die in.

There are millions of wants on this earth, without considering whether or not the planets are inhabited. A vast multitude want "situations," while another horde, finding themselves in a "bad situation," want to get out of it. One woman wants a new bonnet, another wants a divorce instead. Grant wants "peace," and Mrs. Dr. Walker wants a government office. Thousands want lodgings at night, and other thousands want a drink in the morning. Thirsty loafer knocks at a saloon door at 5 A. M.; he wants to get in. Captured cooney in jail; he wants to get out. Some want glory and enlist at thirteen dollars a month to get it; some want hair on the top of the head; some want a leg or an eye; thousands want to get married, a few want to die, many want a club, and all want money.—*Fat Contributor.*

Medical men advise that salt be taken with nuts, especially when eaten at night. "One time," says a writer, "while enjoying a visit from an Englishman, hickory nuts were served in the evening, when my English friend called for salt, stating that he knew of the case of a woman eating heartily of nuts in the evening who was taken violently ill. The celebrated Dr. Abernethy was sent for, but it was after he had become too fond of his cups, and he was in no condition to go. He muttered "salt, salt," to which no notice was taken. Next morning he went to the place and she was a corpse. He said that if they had given her salt, it would

have relieved her, if they would allow him to make an examination, he would convince them. On opening the stomach the nuts were found in a mass. He sprinkled salt on this and immediately it dissolved. I have known of a sudden death myself which appeared to have been from the same cause. I generally eat salt wit mine, and consider that it improves them."

Value of Books.

God be thankful for books! They are the voices of the distant and the dead, and make us heirs of the spiritual life of past ages. Books are the true levelers. They give to all who will faithfully use them, the society, the spiritual presence of the greatest of our race. No matter how poor I am—no matter though the prosperous of my own time will not enter my obscure dwelling—if the sacred writers will enter and take up their abode under my roof—if Milton will cross my threshold to sing to me of paradise, and Shakespeare to open to me the worlds imagination and the working of the human heart, and Franklin to enrich me with his practical wisdom, I shall not pine for the want of intellectual companionship, and I may become a cultivated man, though excluded from what is called the best society in the place where I live.

The Newly Discovered Caves in Iowa.

The Dubuque Times of the 7th inst says:

"A natural wonder was lately unearthed on the Maquoketa, about eight miles west of the city. This natural wonder consists of a succession or continuation of caves. These caves were 'discovered' some months ago one hundred feet below the surface of the earth,

gaged with a large working force in prospecting them for mineral. The large cave is over one thousand two hundred feet in length, and the smaller one six hundred feet, the two being separated from each other by an east and west bar about sixty feet in thickness. No lead ore has yet been discovered in the large bodies of iron rust rock, which have fallen down from the roof and sides in great masses. In the smaller cave, however, the mineral shows itself quite freely, and large quantities have been taken out, while the prospect for richer leads than any yet found grows daily more flattering. Mineral also abound in considerable quantities through the bar mentioned, and the indications are that it will soon be developed here in paying quantities. That these caves thus discovered but lead on to a continuation of others is demonstrated by a fact that a current of air puts in from the west so strong that work cannot be prosecuted without stopping up the opening. The volume of air is perfectly pure, and comes in with a rushing, roaring noise, resembling the rumble of distant thunder. As soon as the proper arrangements can be made, we understand that the work of draining will be commenced and continue until a thorough survey is made of the whole range. It is quite probable that some new and striking natural wonder will be developed. Perhaps another Mammoth Cave is waiting for the torch of the explorers. Who knows.

A statistician estimates that every married couple may calculate upon 4,194,304 descendants in about five hundred years.

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"We have been surprised and more than mortified at the course of a few men in this District, calling themselves Republicans and heretofore acting with the Republican party, who have on various occasions made it a rule of action to vilify those who have been elected to fill various offices within the gift of the people. Such men are a disgrace to any party. Through all petty prejudices aside, and let us unite, and work with our might for the one good cause we advocate."

If the above from the Asheville Pioneer is intended for Republicans who have been denouncing the rascality of such men as Littlefield, Holden & Co., for their gigantic frauds in the management of the Finances of the State, we reply that they are the men who are a disgrace to any party. We are as much in favor of throwing all prejudice aside as any persons can be, but we are not bound to any party by such strong ties that we could consent to see our native commonwealth robbed by a set of scoundrels, simply because they claimed to be republicans, for we believe that they for the sake of the "Loaves and Fishes," would be democrats or anything else. Our doctrine is, let our public men be honest and deal fairly with the people and then the people will cease to vilify those who have been elected to fill various offices in the gift of the people."

The Republican party has the strength in this State, and can control the State if the honest men would take hold of the helm, we want them to do it, for we are sure if they do not, that a wretched will be the fate of our old North State, but the Pioneer and other Republican papers should remember that it cannot be done if the party has to carry a load of corruption, such as North Carolina never knew save for the last ten years.

We are taxed as high as the party promised that this tax should give us schools and railroads, the people will do every thing they can to meet this tax, but let our leaders fail to comply with their part of the contract, can we call upon them to again believe us? Why has it not been done in good faith? Echo answers a corrupt Governor has appointed directors for our railroads who have elected Presidents who do not deny publicly, that they are guilty of different kinds of fraud, charged upon them,—this makes the people vilify the officers elected over them.

We are not a prophet, nor the son of a prophet, yet we believe we can see it written as plainly as can be, that "DEFEAT will be ours," from Cherokee to Currituck, next summer unless there is a change in the management of our State affairs. Can we expect a change? Our Governor might, be a changeable man, but there could be no confidence now in him if he was to change. Our Legislature might do something, but too many of them fear to make a start. In their hands now is the destiny of the party, we believe the majority of them are honest men, and they took advantage of this class of voters, by refusing to rent land to them or threatening to turn them out of their land, and throw them out of doors if they did not vote as they desired. Hundreds were kept from the polls in this way.

Lastly, and worst of all, in Cleveland county particularly, encouraged by JOSIE T. TURNER's speech, they resorted to their Ku Klux schemes, and the consequence was that out of seven hundred Republicans in that county, only one hundred and sixty voted. We have no hesitation in saying that the election in this District was carried by the most disgraceful means, that ever were practiced upon the people, of this section before.

They have defeated us in this District by their rascality once, but we tell them it will not be so next summer. The Government of the United States guarantees to every citizen thereof, certain rights and privileges, and she will protect her citizens in exercising these privileges. The next election in this District will be one at which all free men can vote untrammelled for who he pleases, and the man that attempts to control the vote of any citizen, by force or intimidation, will do so at a serious risk. The Republicans will not quietly submit to such outrages, so long as the strong arm of protection is near at hand.

Says another—Yes and we will pay a tax to pay us for our negroes.

Says another—We will disfranchise all the negroes from voting or holding office, and every white man that has not got one hundred acres of land or more.

A correspondent of the Volunteer, is still a little bolder and says their motto is the "Old Constitution," which guarantees slavery.

What do our readers think of the picture? We ask them if they are prepared to submit to Rebel rule on such terms as these? If not, then we tell them, they must prepare for the battle at the ballot box next August. The only way to prevent them from doing these things, and even worse, is to meet them and defeat them, and keep them out of power, for so sure as they do get the power they will repudiate the new State debt pay the Confederate war debt; tax the people to pay for their negroes; and disfranchise every colored man in the State, and every white man that is not worth one hundred acres of land or more.

Some of our readers may think that this is all bosh, but we tell them that more than one of the Rebel party, have been heard to make these brags, since the election, and this is only a foreshadowing of what they will do if they get the power into their hands.

We call upon the Republicans to go to work and prepare for the fight, don't put it off but commence now, now is the time to work, and all the time until the election is over next August.

To the colored people we say, if you love liberty, you must not be idle, you have even more to risk than your white friends, therefore you should organize, yourself thoroughly, and go to the polls in August, as one man, and vote to put down those men who would take your sacred liberties from you, and make your condition even worse than a slave.

Nothing to Fear Over.

The Rebels in this District continue to brag and boast over their success in the Senatorial election. We tell them they have nothing

any gain in the District, they lost three hundred votes, and more, if they had a speck of honesty about them, they would instead of boasting, "blush for shame," for the under-handed low-down means they resorted to, to carry the election.

There was a perfect understanding among them from the time of the nomination of their candidate, that they would lie, threaten Ku Klux and use every other means in their power, without regard to honesty to carry the election.

You could scarcely find a man but what said he was not going to vote for WITHERS, and we must confess that we were surprised to hear some of the Rebel party, who we looked upon as honest and respectable men, declare that they would not vote for WITHERS, and on the day of election find them at the polls among the first men to vote for him.

Many good Republicans were deceived by them in this way and did not go to the polls at all.

The next step they took was that of intimidation and bribery. It being the first of the year, a large majority of the colored men, were buying land and homes, and they took advantage of this class of voters, by refusing to rent land to them or threatening to turn them out of their land, and throw them out of doors if they did not vote as they desired. Hundreds were kept from the polls in this way.

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Affairs in Tennessee.

The Republicans of North Carolina, would do well to observe the course that is being taken by the Rebels of Tennessee.

We have repeatedly warned the people, that the Rebels were no more to be trusted now than they were during the existence of the rotten Confederacy. Rebellion is as life in their bosoms today as it was in 1862, and their hatred to the Government as bitter. Wherever they have succeeded in getting the power, they have shown "the cloven foot." We have before us two examples, Georgia and Tennessee, and the Rebels of North Carolina, are "laughing in their sleeves" hoping to be successful in the August elections, when we will have an example nearer home. If they should be successful in this State, they will only be more bold than they have been in Georgia and Tennessee, and in addition to disfranchising the negroes and poor whites, they will repudiate the State debt, and lay a tax to pay for the lost negro, but we cannot believe that the people of this State will be deceived by these miserable Rebels again, when they have such forcible examples of their treasonable designs before them.

Read the following resolutions, that are now being considered by the Rebel Convention in Tennessee, and remember that if you vote to put them in power next August, you only encourage them to follow the example set by Georgia and Tennessee.

Truly Congress has much to do yet in the way of reconstruction, before we are safe from the clutches of these Rebels and traitors.

Here are the Resolutions as introduced in the Convention of Tennessee, by Mr. Williamson of Wilson county.

Resolved, That no organized government has or can ever exist in which the political power is divided between men of different races; that social and natural society, in its inception, was predicated upon the interest of race or kind, and that not only men, but the lower order of animals, and even the smallest insects, are controlled by the same great natural law.

Resolved, That every departure from this law or natural existence should only be made after the greatest deliberation.

Resolved, That the Committee on Franchise be directed to report an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, restricting the right of suffrage to white men only.

North Carolina Real and Personal Estate Agency.

Some time last year we published the advertisement of this Agency—when we did it, we believed it a reliable concern. We were so informed by gentlemen living in Raleigh, by our recommendation several persons were induced to purchase tickets. We notice that the Editor of the Wilmington Star, has received a private letter from Raleigh, which among other things says:

"From information in our possession, we think it probable that the outstanding tickets will be redeemed at an early day, and that there will be a drawing on a new and altogether different basis."

We hope that the above may be true, because it is the only way in which the tickets can be redeemed.

The Mail Swindlers—Assistant Postmaster General Terrell's Order.

The following is the letter of General Terrell, Third Assistant Postmaster General, to Postmaster Jones, authorizing him to seize the mails of swindling firms in New York:

POSTMASTER DEPARTMENT,
Office Third Asst Postmaster Genl.,
Washington, D. C.

Gen. Patrick H. Jones, Postmaster, New York: Sir—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, and, after consulting the Postmaster-General, sent you the following telegram last night: "Seize the mails of Wogan & Co., and to all other swindling, fictitious firms, to the Dead Letter Office as fast as they are received. The Department

will assume the responsibility in all cases which you may be satisfied are of the above class." It is the responsibility of the department to use all means within its control to break up these swindling concerns, which so largely use the facilities afforded by the mails to prey upon credulous and weak-minded people. An effort will be made at an early day to secure such congressional action as will enable the Department more effectively to accomplish the desired result. In the meantime, you will exercise your best judgment in forwarding matter to the Dead Letter Office which you are reasonable satisfied is swindling or fictitious. Should anything be sent that ought to have been delivered, the mistake will be promptly corrected here, and the matter will at once be forwarded to the proper destination. The Department assumes all responsibility in the execution of these instructions. Very respectfully, your obedient servant.

W. H. H. TERRELL,
Third Asst P. M. General.

Revenue Trouble.

The recent outrages committed in our County upon the person and property of Mr. A. P. TURNER, Revenue Agent, are familiar to all our readers.

These outrages were the occasion of sending a small squad of United States troops here, under the command of Capt. SUMMERHAYS, for the purpose of protecting the revenue officers in the discharge of their duties. On Tuesday night, the 11th inst., Mr. R. M. WALLACE, deputy collector at Columbia, arrived in town. Under his direction the revenue officers of the county, and the deputy United States troops, visited that portion of the County where most of the illicit distilling is carried on. On Wednesday they found three still-houses from which the stills had apparently just been removed. The worms and stands, filled with beer, or mash, however, were left. These still-houses were burned, and the property contained in them, was destroyed. At one of them a young man, named HUMPHREYS, who acknowledged having been engaged in distilling, was arrested. Towards evening of the same day the party was met by forty or fifty armed men who demanded the release of the prisoner, HUMPHREYS, and the giving up of Mr. TURNER, who accompanied the expedition. This demand being refused, the outlaws commenced a tirade of abuse upon the officers and soldiers, and heaped upon them every opprobrious epithet imaginable. No violence, however, was attempted. About dark the party reached Cowpens, where they took possession of the house of Mr. EZZELL. The mob outside, hourly increasing in numbers and proportionately in violence, threatened to attack the house and, if necessary, to burn it. To prevent any bloodshed, Mr. WALLACE finally consented to release the prisoner HUMPHREYS. This being done the crowd temporarily dispersed. They afterwards, however, returned and continued their violent demonstrations during most of the night. A number of shots were fired at and about the house and two mules belonging to the revenue party, were seriously wounded. Dying, however, the crowd had dispersed and the party returned to town without further molestation. On their way home they arrested three prisoners, upon United States warrants, and brought them to town.

Too much credit can not be given to Capt. SUMMERHAYS, the revenue officers and the soldiers for the prudence and forbearance with which they acted. It was only by this course that bloodshed was avoided, and with it, the serious calamities which would probably have fallen upon every citizen of our County.

We are happy to state that all these recent outrages are sincerely deprecated by our better class of citizens. They have been committed by a set of lawless men, living on the border of North Carolina, who have always heretofore, defied all law.

During the existence of the Confederacy the same difficulties occurred and in the same way. It is high time that these men should learn that they are amenable to law, and that they must respect the authority of those whose duty it is to enforce it.

Stanton and his Foe.

The old fable about the ass kicking the dead lion has not in a long time been brought to the public mind in so forcible a manner as by the comments of certain of the pinyane Democratic press of the South on the death of Edwin M. Stanton. They can not criticize his character and private and public life fairly, but they must needs express joy at his death, thus outraging all sense of propriety and taste. We are not to dwell longer on the subject here than to say that the very intensity of their expressions of hate is so much added to the wide testimony of the great public services of the now dead War Secretary, for their hate is simply born of their knowledge of the way in which he devoted his almost matchless abilities to the crushing of the rebellion.—*Charleston Republican.*

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The scene in the House, in the discussion of the Virginia bill was peculiarly interesting, and when Mr. Bingham, who occupies a seat upon the Democratic side, arose to throw in his last shot, there was a general rush towards him as there use to be when old "Thad" was about to speak. Much credit is due both Bingham and Farnsworth in the management of the bill, what the result would have been if Butler had been present, one cannot tell; for it is understood that Mr. B. has recently changed his opinion adversely to admitting Virginia unconditionally.

Mr. Clapp, Government Printer, is no little concerned about the bill of Mr. Negley's in the House, making the House of Representatives responsible in part for the man at the Head of Government Printing, and also that there are to be charges preferred against him relative to the management of his office. Mr. Clapp has friends and they are at work trying to head off everything that work detriment to him. Mr. Deffries, the former Superintendent and an old and warm friend of Vice President Colfax was turned out last spring through the influence of Gov. Fenton to make place for Mr. Clapp. Speaker Colfax—I should say Vice President Colfax—is most anxious and perhaps on the whole the most worthy man to be second in the honors of the Nation, is politic in everything he does, and when his old friend Deffries was turned out, he said not a word, but waited.

The Census Bill now pending before Congress is of general interest to all parts of the country, and without doubt, with some unimportant modification will soon become a law. It provides for a Superintendent of the Census, appointed by the President at a salary of five thousand dollars a year, a district Superintendent for each Congressional district throughout the United States and territories, at a salary of eight dollars per day, and a suitable number of enumerators in each district at four dollars per day. The duties of the chief Superintendent will be to compile and prepare for publication, the reports of the District Superintendents, and the District Superintendents will arrange and classify the information obtained from the enumerators.

The questions asked will be numerous, and many of them will appear to your readers irrelevant; such for instance, how many chickens, children, cheese and chinquapins have you raised this year; how many wives have you, or if to a lady, how many husbands have you had? Have you any poor relations, and do they visit you often? Do you use tobacco, and if you do give me a chew—lend me four dollars until I am paid. Yet with all these drawbacks, the taking of the census is probably the most generally useful, and satisfactory occupation in which Uncle Sam engages, and let us hope that none of your readers will refuse to answer any reasonable or legitimate question asked them.

It will be remembered that about a year ago, Congress passed an act to provide for the distribution and payment of the reward of \$100,000 that was offered by a proclamation of the President for the capture of Jefferson Davis. The claims of those entitled to a share of this money, are now being examined by the proper officers

of the Treasury Department, and in a short time a report and award will be made in favor of the men and officers that were engaged in the capture. The organizations said to be entitled to share in this bounty, are the fourth Michigan Cavalry Wisconsin Cavalry, and a detachment of Ohio troops; and under the award a private Soldier will be entitled to receive about \$290. Corporals about \$825 and Sergeants about \$360.

The course taken by the St. Louis people in opposing Washington in everything she undertakes, is having the desired effect of arousing the people here to a full understanding of their situation. Washingtonians were the first to suggest an International Exhibition to be held in this country in 1871, and very naturally proposed that the National Capitol as the proper place for it. St. Louis immediately bid for it not with any expectation of getting it, but with a view to get up some feeling, and thus prevent it from being held here. Now when the District of Columbia is simply asking an appropriation from Congress for an improvement of the city proportionate to the valuation of Government property owned in the city, St. Louis paid lobbyists to present themselves in opposition to it.

The Postal Convention, consisting of postmasters of the principal cities of the Union held here last week, has been a decided success, and the proposed changes in postal regulations which are now before the Postmaster General for his deliberation are important, and will, it is thought, be adopted.

The Governor of Wyoming is in town, and about the only answer he gives to interrogatories concerning the Female Suffrage bill in his Territory, is that the men want wives—and in fact says, he "I want one."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice.—It having been certified to me that the following children, having made application for charity, I will bind the same by indenture until they shall have attained the age of majority, in such cases:

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Steadman, girl, 9 "	Sound.
Susan Steadman, " 7 "	Sound.
John Ballew, " 5 "	reel footed.
Chick Ryan, " 5 "	Sound.
Geo. Mintz, " 13 "	Sound.

Persons wishing to examine these children can find them at the Poor House 5 miles west of Rutherfordton.

J. B. CARPENTER,
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The Bee-Keepers' Journal.

and National Agriculturist for January, contains many interesting and valuable articles illustrated with appropriate engravings, in its five departments of "Bee-Keeping," "Agriculture," "Home and Fire-side," "Ladies and Youth's Department." The articles "The New Honey Extractor," "The New York Poultry Show," "The Australian Bee Hunter," each illustrated by a beautiful engraving, and the method of fertilizing Italian Queen in confinement by any drone desired, are especially interesting. On the front page is a fine portrait of Mrs. Ellen S. Zupper, America's most distinguished lady writer on bee-culture, and one of the editors of this Journal. The February number will contain the portrait of Francis Huxley, the celebrated pioneer beekeeper of Europe, to be followed by the portraits of Dzierzon, Berlepsch, and all the leading apiculturists of Europe and America. This is a new feature belonging other improvements made since the removal and consolidation, and yet the publishers furnish the Journal at \$1.00 a year. One single copy sent Free. Address: H. A. KISS & CO., 37 Park Row, New York.

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Messrs. Lynch & Huffmaster, have removed their Stock of Groceries, Confectioneries &c., to the "Pavon House," next door to Jones & Bryan, where they will be glad to see their old customers, and the public generally. They would also announce that they have in store a large supply of the celebrated Holt & Son's Cotton Yarns, a supply of Fine Flour, cheap.

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The Spring session of the Rutherfordton Male Academy will commence Jan. 24th, 1870. Rates of Tuition per session of twenty weeks (as agreed upon by the Trustees): \$8, \$10 and \$15.00 according to grade of studies. W. L. TWILLEY, Treas. Jan. 1870.

Notice.—By virtue of a

deed of trust executed to me from J. A. Carpenter, late Constable, as trustee to secure the payment of certain claims. I hereby notify all persons who have claims, for papers placed in the said J. A. Carpenter's hands, to present the same to me for settlement, or to J. H. Carpenter, at Rutherfordton. This, 15th Jan. 1870. K. T. CARPENTER, Trustee.

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THE STAR. RUTHERFORDTON N. C. SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 1870. LOCAL AND STATE. Agents.

The following persons are authorized and requested to receive subscriptions, job work and advertising for the Star.

THANKS.—Our representative Mr. Justice, and also Senator Moore, of Yancy, will accept our thanks for public documents.

IMPORTANT OMISSION.—The attorney general has given it as his opinion that the Homestead is not good, as against fines and costs in criminal cases. We will try and give the opinion in full next week.

CURE WORDS.—The Sentinel of 19th has a caption for its leader, "DAMELIE." Come Josiah! you ought not to use such Curse words, you will corrupt the morals of your party, if they have any.

THE MAILS.—We had but one Mail from the east last week on account of the freshets. This week we have had but one mail, the waters are up again.

Our readers will please bear with us, as we can not give the latest news when the Mails fail.

SPECIAL COURTS.—Next Monday Superior Court commences at Columbus.

The First Monday in next month it commences at this place, and Third Monday at Shelby.

Judge Henry has been appointed to hold these Courts.

OUR NEW TYPE.—Our new type has arrived, and we congratulate our readers upon the improved appearance of our paper. We have added near two hundred dollars of stock to our office, and we ask our friends to help us pay for the same by coming up and paying what you owe us.

PUBLIC LEDGER ALMANAC.—The Publisher will please accept our thanks for a copy of this annual.

The Almanac issued by Mr. Childs as a gift to the Ledger subscribers, is a really valuable compilation, and highly creditable to his energy and judgment. The Almanac is very neat, and it is announced that it will be continued annually.

DEATH OF HON. THOS. RUFFIN, SR.—Thos. Ruffin, Sr., for a number of years, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, died at Hillsboro, N. C., on Saturday the 15th, inst., in the 83 year of his age. In his death North Carolina loses one who has filled many important positions with credit to himself and the State.

SOUTHERN HOME.—We have received the first number of the above weekly published at Charlotte, N. C., and edited by General D. H. Hill. We take pleasure in placing it on our exchange list, as we are sure we will always know where to find it, there is no conservatism about it is a regular out and out Democratic paper.

We wish it abundant success in all except its politics.

The Waterloo Courier has the following flattering notice of the man that don't advertise:

"The man that don't advertise has got his store hung around with slabs and pieces of barrel heads inscribed with lampblack, 'Frisch Patters,' 'Korn Meal,' 'Flower,' 'All kinds of country produce,' 'Kalks and Kandies for sale here.' He says, 'thar ain't no sense in no newspaper advertising, so long as a man is smart enuff to tend to his own business, and kin stand at the door and holler the fellers in.'"

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SOME of the churches belonging to the Green River Association, have not got the quota of Minutes belonging to them. The Minutes have been ready for delivery two months, and those Churches that have not got their Minutes can get them by calling at the office of T. B. Justice, Rutherfordton, N. C.

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The Congregationalist says that several instances have recently occurred where free-will Baptists have admitted Congregationalists into their churches, without rebaptizing them.

Nearly fifty children were received into Spurgeon's church last year, while that eminent minister says that he never yet had occasion to excommunicate a single member of his church who united with it when a child.

Mrs. Augusta J. Evans Wilson, of Mobile, author of "St. Elmo" and "Vashti," was in a train which was thrown from the track near Cleveland, Tenn., on Friday, and was seriously if not fatally injured.

Valuable Present.—Some one, speaking of presents, says: "The best thing to give your enemy is forgiveness; to your opponent, tolerance; to friend your heart; to your children, a good example; to your father, deference; to yourself, respect; to all men, charity; to God, obedience."

THE MEANEST, most contemptible, most degraded specimen of humanity known to civilized society, is a man who will take a newspaper for a year, without paying for it, and then refuse to take it from the post office. Such a man will contaminate the abode of Satan and will be an eye-sore to all wretches.

J. J. Wright, a colored member of the State Senate of South Carolina by his attorney, A. G. Riddle, Esq., of the District of Columbia, has instituted suit in the United States Circuit court against the Richmond & Danville railroad Company, for \$5,000 damages, sustained by his ejection from a first-class car.

A MAN MARRIES HIS MOTHER.—Some days ago the community in the vicinity of Carter's station, says the Bristol News, was considerably exercised over the announcement that a Mr. Lyon, who lived in the neighborhood, had married his mother. It seems that Lyon's father had been twice married, and the children of the first wife continued to live in the family after the second marriage. Lyon, Pere, died, leaving his second wife a widow, and Lyon, Fie, married his father's widow. The clerk issued the license without a knowledge of the facts, and the minister, unlike Mr. Beecher, declined; a magistrate likewise refused, and the pair passed over to Stony Creek, where they were unknown, and were married.

THE N. C. RAILROAD.—From a circular statement of the financial condition of the N. C. Road for six months ending Nov. 30th, 1869, we learn that the receipts from all sources amounted to \$343,077.71, and the current expenses for the same time \$173,988.02—leaving a net amount of \$170,075.25. The increase of receipts over same time last year, is \$43,741.10.

The Indiana Democratic State Convention denounces the Congressional reconstruction measures and the attempted interference with the Supreme Court; favors repeal of the present tariff; declares that five twenty-bonds are payable in greenbacks; goes in for the abolition of national banks; is down upon the Fifteenth Amendment, and opposes any change in the laws concerning naturalization.

Is that all? We thought the wanted pay for their niggers.

A few months since, Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor, of Leavenworth celebrated their golden wedding. Among the emblems of the festivity was a magnificent piece of confectionary, embellished by the dates of their marriage and golden wedding, the 1819 and 1869 showing out in bold relief. While the festivity was at its height, the figures "1869" fell in fragments. Some of the superstitious present regarded this an omen of the early death of one or both of the aged couple. On the 30th ult. Mr. Taylor died, at the age of eighty years. Was the incident an omen?

JOSIAH TURNER, Esq., Editor of the Raleigh Sentinel, made a speech in the Court House in this city on Saturday night last. We heard nearly half of it, and had a hearty laugh at his odd sayings. Mr. Turner said a good many funny things and made some just hits, but he mixes and scatters so much that we doubt if his speeches do any good for the Conservative cause. We cordially endorse his denunciations of the "ring," but while naming the Republicans who belong to the ring, he ought also to have named the so-called Conservatives who have co-operated with it.

THE UNIVERSE.—This Journal devoted to Religious, Social and Political reform, has been removed from Chicago, Ill., to New York.

Among the more striking articles in the issue for January 6, or soon to appear, are the following:

Policy in Regard to Divorce, East and west; by Robert Dale Owen.

The Gange Caused By Death; by Epes Sargent.

The First and Second Mrs. Wood. A Story. By Mrs. Jennie Hazen Lewis.

Half the World's Work; Part I. A Story. By Mrs. Robert Dale Owen.

Defence of Albert D. Richardson; by "Helen Rushton" (non de plume of a prominent actress.)

The Murder of Richardson by Francis Barry.

The Relation That Leads to Maternity; by Henry C. Wright.

Fetichism—Its Facts and Philosophy; by Mrs. Dr. Carpenter.

Children in the After Life; by Anne Kimball, M. D.

A Haunted House in Brooklyn; A Veritable History of My own Experience; by Eleanor Kirk.

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meaning, or he never could have kept even with his creditors. What, then, has kept him back in the world? Mr. Thomas has been figuring up, and finds that he has virtually sunk three good estates by want of management.

First. In wintering his cattle and sheep. He kept, generally, about twenty cattle and one hundred sheep. The cattle trod about three tones of hay under foot each year, and consumed half a ton extra by exposure to the winds, in all thirteen tones, worth \$91. This exposure of fat and calves reduced their size and market value one-third—annual increase, six head, and average value, lost, \$8 each—\$48. Ten per cent. of his sheep and lambs were lost by want of shelter, and the clip was diminished twenty-five per cent. from the same cause—total loss on sheep was, therefore, \$189. In forty years this annual loss with compound interest, would amount to about \$35,000. Thus one fortune has been sunk.

Secondly. In want of good rotation of crops. He raised wheat after wheat, oats after oats, and corn after corn, because the stubble was most easily ploughed, till his land was exhausted and full of weeds. The crops, as a whole, scarcely paid his labor. A good rotation would have safely given him one-third more, which would have been a clear gain, on the average, of at least \$5 per acre, on about fifty acres, yearly—total \$250 a year. This loss repeated for forty years, and interest, would amount to more than \$50,000! This was the second fortune sunk.

Thirdly. In raising crops of weeds. Some of his pasture fields had a heavier growth of mulleins, rag-weed, johnsworth, and thistles, than of grass; consequently, at least half his lands was wasted to grow them. On fifty acres of pasture, at least \$2 each were yearly wasted, to say nothing of the loss of grain by Canada thistle patches, in retarding growth and preventing clean harvesting, and his greatly diminished crop of corn by fox-tail and pig-weed. The annual loss from weeds was, therefore, at least \$100—the amount which, with interest, in forty years would be \$20,000. The third fortune—Maryland Farmer.

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And everything in fact usually kept in a first class store, all of which will be sold at great reduced prices for Cash or Country Produce.

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J. B. CARPENTIER, C. CLERK. For Rutherford County

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CONSERVATISM.
The good descends, with angry roar,
To cleanse the earth of filth and gore;
But Noah's ark floats calmly o'er—
Conservatism!

TRUE FRIENDS.
The not when supreme brightly shine,
And cloudless skies look blue;
When happiness and peace abound,
And troubles are but few;
The time to know our friends—
The false ones from the true.

But when the sky is overcast,
And threatenings dark appear;
With thunder crashing o'er our heads,
And lightning flashing near;
Then enemies press closely on,
To fill our hearts with fear.

Teach your Boy a Trade
An article which we cut from one of our exchanges, referring to this subject, says:

Of 13,493 prisoners in the penitentiaries of thirty States in 1867, according to the report of the prison association just issued, 77 per cent., more than three quarters, had not learned a trade. Here is a text from which Dr. Franklin should have preached a forcible sermon to parents.

The time was when it was not thought reputable for parents to leave their children without trades—unless they belong to the class of gentry! In France, before the revolution the one of 1789 this perverted sentiment or instinct was so strong that even the children of the nobles were in some cases taught a light handicraft, and when the storm of the Reign of Terror, came, and they were expelled from their homes and deprived of their fortunes, many of them subsisted by the trades they had amused themselves with in more prosperous days.

A man who has a good trade has an independence. He has used only to be honest and diligent to secure a competence. Bread and butter is sure for him wherever he is. He is sure always of higher wages than he who has no trade, and if his genius and enterprise lead him into some other calling, it is always a satisfaction to know that in case of misfortune he can return to his trade. He has that at any rate; his speculations may break down, but he has an anchor to leeward, as the sailors say; his subsistence and that of his family is sure.

In this country, where fortunes quickly gained are also quickly lost, it is still more necessary and prudent that every young man should learn it thoroughly. No man's future is so secure here but that he would do wisely to have his boys—and girls too, for that matter—learn a trade.

Labor in the South—Hiring Hands for 1870.

It is remarked that not one-tenth the number of field hands are seen upon the streets this Christmas as were any former since the war. They are far less roving. They are getting more settled, and finding out that yearly changes from one plantation do not pay. Thousands of them are becoming landholders upon a small scale—that is, proprietors are giving each head of a family two or three acres of ground upon which they have erected a house, fenced in and are cultivating gardens, raising poultry, hogs, &c.

All such having sort of disposition to leave and hunt other places. By this wise policy the planters are obtaining leases upon which to make future calculations—are attaching the freedmen to their possessions. This is the plan worked upon for thousands of years in England. It is in its germ here, but will eventually take that course.

The prices paid for hands are \$150 for number one men, \$120 for number two, \$90 for women, and in that proportion for half-grown boys. In contracts upon shares, one-third of the crop is giving to the freedmen—*Macon Telegraph*, Dec. 30.

Is Friday an Unlucky Day? Friday, long remembered as a day of ill omen, has been an eventful one in American history, and Americans ought not to be afraid of it.

Friday, Christopher Columbus sailed on his voyage of discovery. Friday, ten weeks after, he discovered America. Friday, Henry III. gave John Cabot his commission, which led to the discovery of North America. Friday, St. Augustine, the oldest town in the United States was founded.

Friday, the Mayflower, with the pilgrims, arrived at Princetown, and, on Friday, they signed the august compact, the forerunner of our present Constitution.

Friday, George Washington was born.

Friday, Bunker Hill was seized and fortified.

Friday, the surrender of Saratoga was made.

Friday, the surrender of Cornwallis occurred; and, on Friday, the motion was made in Congress that the United States were, and of right, ought to be free and independent.

The "Good Old Times."

Before the discovery of America, money was so scarce that the price of a day's work was fixed by an act of the English Parliament in 1351 at "one penny per day; and in 1414 the allowance of the Chaplain to the Scotch Bishops (then in prison in England) was three half-pence per day. At this time, twenty-four eggs sold for a penny, a pair of shoes for four pence, a fat goose for two and a half pence, a hen for a penny, wheat three pence per bushel, and a fat ox for three shillings and eight pence. So that in those days a day's work would buy a hen or two dozen of eggs; two days' work would buy a pair of shoes, and a fat ox would cost eight days' work. On the whole, human labor brought in the average about half as much food and perhaps one-fourth as much cloth or clothing as it now does.

The Cardiff Giant Outdone—Alleged discovery of a Giant's Skeleton in the Oil Regions.

The Oil City Times of Friday is responsible for the following: "On Tuesday morning last, while Mr. William Thompson, assisted by Robert R. Smith, was engaged in making an excavation near the house of the former, about half a mile north of West Hickory, preparatory to erecting a derrick, they exhumed an enormous helmet of iron, which was corroded with rust. Further digging brought to light a sword which measured nine feet in length. Curiosity incited them to enlarge the hole, and after some little time they discovered the bones of two enormous feet. Following up the 'lead' they had so unexpectedly struck, in a few hours' time they had unearthed a well-preserved skeleton of an enormous giant, belonging to a species of the human family which probably inhabited this and other parts of the world at that time of which the Bible speaks when it says 'And there were giants in those days.' The helmet is said to be of the shape of those found among the ruins of Nineveh. The bones of the skeleton are remarkably white. The teeth are all in their places, and all of them are double, and of extraordinary size. These relics have been taken to Tionesta, where they are visited by large numbers of people daily. When his giantism

was in the flesh he must have stood eight feet in his stockings. These remarkable relics will be forwarded to New York early next week. The joints of the skeleton are now being glued together. These remains were found about twelve feet below the surface of a mound which had been thrown up probably centuries ago which was not more than three feet above the level of the ground around it. Here is another nut for antiquarians to crack."

Heavy Storm. Since the destructive Tornado of a few years ago, the "oldest inhabitant" has witnessed nothing like the storm which occurred on Monday last. The winds blew a perfect hurricane, carrying fencing, and even large trees with it, while the rain fell for three or four hours, in torrents—soon deluging the streets, and sidewalks—washing away all the little foot-bridges that came in its way. No serious damage, however was done in town, farther than the loss of fencing. The fine large shade tree in front of the residence of Dr. Theo. Sienknecht was blown up by the roots.

The river is much higher than it has been for many months. Clark's Spring is completely inundated, and indeed that entire vicinity is submerged.

We learn the destruction in the eastern part of the county was much more serious than in the immediate neighborhood of Kingston. In the direction of Paint Rock, nearly all the fencing was blown down and houses were unroofed, and even entire buildings carried away, large trees were blown up and twisted off at the roots, and in some localities the roads completely obstructed by fallen trees. The violence of the storm in that direction, was as great, if not greater, than that experienced here in 1867.

In Knoxville and vicinity, we learn that considerable damage was done to property. Numerous large store houses were unroofed and the merchants' goods and wares exposed to the weather. In the neighborhood of Post Oak Springs, we learn the storm was equally severe.—*East Tennesseean*.

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NOTICE. To all whom it may concern, That there will be Special Term of the Superior Court held in the Town of Rutherfordton, for Rutherford county, on the 1st Monday, it being the 7th day of February 1870. To continue from day to day until all the business is transacted in regard to civil suits. By special approval of the Governor and order of Judge Henry. Given under my hand this 2d of 23rd day of Dec. 1869. R. J. WILLIAMS, C. W. ex-officio. 4-31

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